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1. The SMV is constructing two new pipe lines, one which will lead from Wifo to the Nova refinery and the other from Wifo to the Prottes and Zistersdorf oil fields. Excavation work on the Nova-Wifo pipe line, which will cross the Danube, began about 23 February 1953. Three freight-car loads of 217 mm pipe and 60 tons of cement were transported from the Neusiedl Central Warehouse to the Nova refinery in Schwechat. It is assumed that the pipe line construction will begin at this point.

2. The SMV is constructing a new pipe line from Wifo to Prottes. The section of the line from Wifo to Tank Farm 1, Bockfliess, will be newly laid pipe. An old abandoned gas line will be reactivated from Tank Farm 1 to Prottes.

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